

REMARKS

Claims 8-10, 18-20, and 26 have previously been allowed, as indicated by the Notice of Allowance mailed on November 19, 2007. Claims 18-20 and 26 are being cancelled herewith, without prejudice or disclaimer, for possible pursuance in a continuation application. Therefore, only claims 8-10 remain.

During a telephone conference on January 7, 2008, Examiner Jude Jean-Gilles indicated that this amendment will be entered because only cancellation of claims is occurring. Consequently, Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment after allowance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions concerning these proposed amendments.

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Respectfully submitted,

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